

Honor roll posted Mounting the names of honor roll students for the National Honor society are (l. to r.) Doug Harrower, Jacque Hodges and Dave Dimitre.

Stage crew assists with assemblies

by Paul Muir

Before, during, and after assemblies a group of boys usually remains unseen and receives little credit. These boys are the stage crew.

They work hard not just during school but after as well. They help make the dances.

The members are Bruce Brown, Randy Gibbons, Julius Hurst, Ardy Ison, Bill Page, Dan Rhodes, Ralph Thom and Jeff Wolvert.

There is a special class held each day first period in which they learn how to operate the stage lights, and curtains and switch boards along with the microphones and spotlights. Every member must know how to do every job.

"They are the heart of the

auditorium and stage," stated Lloyd Carothers, stage crew director. "They make possible all productions."

To the audience it doesn't look very dangerous but there are dangers involved. Being around the switch boards they are involved with high voltage. Sometimes they are required to climb great heights to reach the lights or to work above the stage. They are working under heavy sand bags at one time or another.

The crew doesn't just work for the school. Sometimes they are asked to be at an outside function which isn't related with the school. In such a case they are paid for what they do. This can help to get them a steady job later on.

When they are called outside

the regular functions they are quite independent and make their own decisions. There are times when they have to make decisions on the spot.

The boys that are chosen for the crew have to be something above the average student. The decisions they have to make must be above the average student's capacity. Some of them are chosen the year before on the recommendation of one of the present crew.

It is understood that being on the stage crew will take up most of their time. Between that and their homework there isn't much free time for them.

The boys are spending almost more time with the stage crew than with their homework, they are so busy, according to Mr. Carothers.

They are loyal to the crew and have to be ready for the worst along with the best.

Mr. Carothers watches each boy carefully and if he doesn't show work at his best then he is just about automatically dropped out.

Gendrills to perform at games; professional dancer supervises

"When you get 30 girls all dancing in a line, it's quite an accomplishment," exclaimed Mrs. Mary Bray, Gendrills advisor.

Gendrills now practice at Fernwood elementary school under the supervision of Mrs. Diane Bigbee, professional dancer. "We would be nothing without her," said Mary Holman, line captain.

Upcoming in the Gendrills schedule will be half-time entertainment at home basketball games, the Dads' Club show and other special events.

When specials such as the Dads' Club show arrive, the girls spend many extra hours practicing on their own time, in addition to regular practice hours, to polish their performance.

"We try to please everyone in the student body with different types of dances," stated Mary. "We have four different dance routines at the present time."

The officers of Gendrills are President Jennie Walters, Vice-President Cindy Froom, Historian and assistant line-captain Mary Birkeland, and line-captain Mary Holman.

"The line-captain is very important," Jennie pointed out. She takes over when Mrs. Bigbee is gone and teaches new dance steps and routines. According to Jennie, she is "the one who gets in trouble when we goof."

Helping the Gendrills by attending practices and arranging performance dates are Miss Naomi England, home economics teacher, and Miss Mary Rask, Spanish teacher.

Last year, under leadership of 1965-66 President Linda Wana-maker, Gendrills took first place in state competition for high school dance teams. "With the support of the students we will try to take state again."

The present group is made up of sophomores and juniors, with only three senior members in the organization.

Art staff brightens cafeteria columns with bright yellow, green, red colors

New color and zest are being added to the old part of the cafeteria by the art staff under the direction of art department chairman Mahlon Read.

The project entails the decorating of small panels on the columns in the cafeteria's north side. Mr. Read said that the panels will be bright colors of yellow, green and red to match the furniture in the new cafeteria extension. The job should take about a week.

"We are trying to make it like you would like to eat down there," Mr. Read added.

Staff members working on the project are Jodi Cornwell, Jacqueline Cain, Sarah Fryberger, Colleen Harnett, Nancy Kerron, Rosemary Meier, Nancy O'Brien, Georgina Smith, Dennis Tabor,

Chris Clarke, Heidi Dyrhang, and Reed Literski.

If this project is well accepted the art staff plans to add several wall murals to the cafeteria. The murals would be paintings and collages on 4x8 panels.

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